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Now a couple of questions on the amendment itself, on page 1 of the amendment, we find out what direct supervision of an apprentice entails and there are other things besides what would be listed here and there can be direct supervision even if the supervisor is absent if the absence is temporary, what does temporary mean?

SENATOR FENGER: I would presume it would be lunch or vacation, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: All right, so it could be for an half an hour to two weeks, and during that time on page 3 an apprentice is allowed to engage in various activities such as ophthalmic dispensing as long as it is under the direct supervision and that dispensing includes spectacle lens dispensing and that means design, verification, and delivery to the intended wearer of spectacle lenses, frames and other specially...and so forth, and in the taking measurements to determine size, shape, and those kinds of things. Based on the definition of direct supervision, that apprentice could do these things if the one doing the supervising is not even there physically.

SENATOR FENGER: That is correct, Senator, but I would remind you that that is on spectacles only and in no way, shape, or form is on contacts. That is on the design, the size, the fitting of spectacles.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now is the number of apprentices allowed increased because I see something, okay, on page 3 of the committee amendment in the second line 19, the second line 19 down from the top "in line 23", it says, "and insert more than three apprentices...", does that mean no more than three?

SENATOR FENGER: Yes, sir, the original bill had no limit and the amendment limits to three apprentices.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, there will be things I will try to find out between now and Select but I want you to know there are some things I don't understand just yet.